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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Docket No: Q65274

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Appeal No.: 2005-1981

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Sir:

In response to the Notice of Oral Hearing (a signed copy of which is attached hereto), dated July 22, 2005, attendance at the oral hearing is hereby confirmed, it being noted that the hearing has been set for Tuesday, September 13, 2005 at 9:00 a.m..

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 Appellant: Hayao Watanabe et al.
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 Hearing Room: A
 Hearing Docket: B
 Hearing Date: Tuesday, September 13, 2005
 Hearing Time: 09:00 AM
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